

Friday 15th March 1895

We left Allahabad at 3 p.m. On our way visited the Fort in which is one of the celebrated pillar[s] of Asoka. There is also in it a temple underground with the trunk of a sacred Banyan tree called Akshaya Veta⁶⁶ before which all pilgrims bow. The passage to it is narrow and dark and orches are required to see the way. For the pilgrims to enter there is a [+++] door to the Fort from the [+++] [river side].

Saturda~ 16th March 1895

At 2 in the morning reached Jubbulpore the junction of the " C.I.R. [Central Indian Railways] and E.I.R. [Eastern Indian Railways] at 4 we started for the marble rocks 12 miles off. The ..! road was excellent. Reached Bhera Ghaut at 7 and put up at a beautiful Travellers Bungalow overlooking the river which was rocky. Proceeded up the river in a pleasure boat to the rocks which formed its sides. They were very high and the scenery was grand. After breakfast walked a mile to see the 'Falls' which though not so big as some others we have seen, were well worth of a visit.

Sunda~ 17th March 1895

In the morning His Highness drove to the river five miles for a bath. We put up at a [+++] [serai] which looked like a stable though scrupulously clean and well kept. In the evening first visited the Lunatic Asylum with 111 male and 32 female inmates. There were a few ferocious looking criminal lunatics who were kept in strict confinement. The female wards were particularly interesting. Drove through the town which was neat and very crowded. There were two principal streets at the intersection on which was a fountain. At 9.30 p.m started for Nasik.

Monda~ 18th March I 895

In the morning at 7 broke journey at Itarsi for breakfast and at 9 resumed journey by the Mail. In the 2nd class carriage there was [sic] with us several passengers among whom was a Mahomedan of Gaya who was going to England to study for the Bar. His knowledge of English was very imperfect and I doubt if he would find it easy to attain his end. We passed the Tapti [River] near Burhampur while we were told [it] is an interesting town.

T uesda~ 19th March 1895

At 12 o'clock midnight we reached Nasik Station where we were received by Mr Damodar Krishna of Chandri a second class Sirdar with a party of friends among whom was Ganesh Pandu Ranga Vidya who told us he had the honour of making arrangements for the Maharaja of Travancore when [he]